

## CAUGHT IN A TRAP.

Officers Were Notified of a Plan to Rob the Bank at Riley, Kan.

### HID THEMSELVES IN THE BUILDING.

On the Appearance of the Burglars a Desperate Battle in the Dark Took Place.

The Leader of the Gang Was Overpowered and Handcuffed After Two Deputies Had Been Injured in the Fight.

Riley, Kan., Feb. 28.—Early Wednesday morning a gang of supposed bank robbers walked into a carefully laid trap here and the leader, Frank Wharton, alleged to be an expert safe blower, was captured after a desperate fight in the dark. The vault containing \$100,000 was untouched. Some time ago Wharton came to this vicinity and it is alleged planned with some local characters to rob the Riley bank. One of the men named Johnson, became frightened and notified the officers. Sheriff D. D. Finney induced the fellow to go ahead with his part of the programme and Tuesday Johnston notified the sheriff that the raid would take place Wednesday morning.

### Complete Burglar's Outfit.

Finney took two deputies, D. M. Person and Harry Pugh, and the three secreted themselves in the bank building, leaving the light burning. At 1:30 o'clock Wharton and his companions appeared, accompanied by Johnson. Guards were placed and the leader, with a short bar, tore the back door entirely off the hinges. He had selected Johnson as his assistant. Drills, dynamite fuses and a full outfit were carried in and arrangements made to crack the safe.

The sheriff thought it time to interfere, and demanded surrender, but Wharton was not to be taken. His first move was to smash the light and in the darkness the four men fought.

### Two Officers Felled.

The robber used his bar and felled the two deputies before they could get hold of him. The officers could not shoot because of the danger of hitting each other. Johnson finally succeeded in getting a light and Wharton was overpowered and handcuffed. He was taken to Manhattan and placed in jail. His companions fled at the first sign of danger, and have not been captured. The country is being closely guarded, and it is not likely that they will be able to get away.

The deputies were badly injured by the bar in the fight, but will recover.

## AN OHIO TOWN BURNING.

Fire Originated in the Standard Oil Co. Warehouse, Mantua, O., and Half the Town Was Wiped Out.

Mantua, O., Feb. 28.—Mantua is burning. The fire started in a warehouse of the Standard Oil Co., in the center of the village. Already half the 200 houses of the village are in flames. It is thought scarcely a house can escape.

The central portion of the town has been wiped out, including the stores and the Mantua and Taylor hotels.

The fire spread so rapidly that it is thought some of those sleeping in the houses must have been burned to death. Hundreds of scantily clad residents are wandering about in the snow. Fire apparatus is on the way here from Cleveland, 25 miles distant.

The total damage is expected to exceed \$150,000.

## THE WAR VETERANS.

None of the Associations Will Take Part in the Inaugural Ceremonies Next Monday.

Washington, Feb. 28.—None of the veteran organizations of the civil war or of the Spanish war will take part in any of the inaugural ceremonies on next Monday. The refusal of the grand marshal to give the veterans position in either of the marching columns such as they believe should be accorded to them constrains the veterans to decline placing themselves under the orders of the grand marshal.

## A Locomotive Museum.

Chicago, Feb. 28.—Arrangements have been completed for the establishment of a locomotive museum at Purdue university, Lafayette, Ind. Many of the railroads have been interested in the project, and three of them have already agreed to contribute to the collection. The museum will be the only institution of its kind in the country.

## A Punitive Expedition.

London, Feb. 28.—It is reported that the government has decided to dispatch strong punitive expeditions of Indian troops against the Oghaden Somalis. The expeditions will advance about the end of March from Berbera, on the Gulf of Aden.

## To Form a Union.

Youngstown, O., Feb. 28.—Employees of the blast furnaces throughout the Mahoning valley effected plans Wednesday for the organization of a union with the American Federation of Labor.

## BIG STEEL CORPORATION.

Takes in Hundreds of Plants of Different Kinds and 66 Lake Vessels. Besides Coal Lands.

Cleveland, O., Feb. 28.—It is learned from a reliable source that the newly organized United States Steel corporation takes in companies owning 78 blast furnaces, 149 steel works and six finishing plants. This includes bar mills, structural steel and plate mills, tin plate works, sheet mills and wire rod and wire nail mills. The annual capacity in finished material is about 9,000,000 tons. The company owns Lake Superior iron mines, which produced last year nearly 11,000,000 tons of ore. It has 18,309 coke ovens, 70,830 acres of coal lands, and about 30,000 acres of surface lands in the coal region. Its lake fleet will number 66 vessels. When the Rockefeller ore and vessel interests are absorbed, which, it is said, will probably be done later, the iron ore capacity will be increased about 2,000,000 tons a year and the number of lake vessels by 59 making 125 large ore carriers in all. A conservative estimate of the number of men employed by the company's various interests puts it at 125,000. The capacity of the consolidation's 78 blast furnaces is upwards of 6,500,000 tons of pig iron a year, or half the pig iron output of the United States in 1900.

## THE AMERICAN TRIBUNE.

A New Colony Company With a Capital of \$250,000 to Be Incorporated in Indiana.

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 28.—Within the next two or three days the American Tribune New Colony Co., with a capital stock of \$250,000, will file articles of incorporation with the secretary of state. The stock is held by thousands of men in all parts of the country, who will establish a colony in Oklahoma, similar to the old soldiers' colony in Georgia. P. H. Fitzgerald, of this city, is at the head of the movement.

The plan was developed last summer. Ten thousand men have become members of the association. For the accommodation of the colony it is expected at least 50,000 acres of land will be required. A committee is now in Oklahoma securing options on land on which the colony will settle.

In just what part of the territory the colony will be located Mr. Fitzgerald declines to say until the land is purchased.

The colony will draw the largest number of people from Iowa, Nebraska, Dakota, Indiana, Missouri and Ohio, but nearly every state in the union will be represented.

## VERDI'S REMAINS.

Removed With Much Ceremony From the Cemetery to the Home For Aged Musicians.

Milan, Feb. 28.—The remains of Giuseppe Verdi, the composer, were removed with much ceremony Wednesday from the cemetery to the Home for Aged Musicians, founded by Verdi. Troops lined the route between the cemetery and the home and an immense concourse of people witnessed the ceremony. A choir of several hundred voices sang one of Verdi's impressive compositions.

A detachment of troops headed the procession. The soldiers were followed by the students and various other associations.

## THE STEAMSHIP DISASTER.

Coroner's Jury Charges Capt. Ward, Drowned, and Pilot Jordan, With Criminal Negligence.

San Francisco, Feb. 28.—The coroner's jury held an inquest Wednesday over the 11 bodies recovered from the wreck of the steamer Rio de Janeiro, returning their verdict Wednesday night. The jury charges Capt. Ward, who was drowned, and Pilot Jordan with criminal negligence. The Pacific Mail Steamship Co. is censured for having a Chinese crew on the steamer. Second Officer Graham Coughlan is commended for heroic conduct in saving lives.

## JUST FOR FUN.

Four Boys, Inmates of a Poor Farm, Attempted to Wreck a Passenger Train.

Marshall, Mo., Feb. 28.—Four boys, inmates of the poor farm, situated near the Chicago & Alton railway, near here, Tuesday night conspired to wreck a passenger train. They put fishplates and small railroad iron on the track. The train struck the obstructions, tore holes in the car floor and cut the air brake. Three of the boys are now in jail. They say they did it "just for fun."

## Treasury's Condition.

Washington, Feb. 28.—Wednesday's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the \$150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of redemption, shows: Available cash balance, \$146,414,309; gold, \$79,440,865.

## Oil Discovered in South Carolina.

Charleston, S. C., Feb. 28.—The reported discovery of oil near King's mountain battlefield has caused considerable excitement in York county, S. C., and Cleveland and Gaston counties, North Carolina, where many options have been given on land.

## Appointed a Vice Admiral.

Madrid, Feb. 28.—The queen regent has signed a decree appointing Rr. Adm. Cervera to be a vice admiral.

## TROUBLE FEARED.

Dorothy Darler Identified Her Assailant and He Was Placed in the Indianapolis Jail.

### INTENSE EXCITEMENT IN THE CITY.

A Company of State Militia and the Police Held in Readiness to Quell a Mob.

One Hundred Stands of Arms Taken to the Prison and 75 Deputy Sheriffs Have Been Sworn In.

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 28.—Dorothy Darler identified the Negro, Doc Reed, brought here from New Castle Wednesday afternoon, as her assailant last Thursday afternoon on the streets of Irvington. She was assaulted and beaten into insensibility. She is yet in a dangerous condition. The Negro was brought here handcuffed to an officer. The party was met at a suburban station by a dozen policemen and detectives, with Superintendent Quigley at their head, and followed by a patrol wagon full of policemen. The Negro was driven to the Darler home two miles from Irvington, an Indianapolis suburb.

### Positively Identified.

The girl identified the Negro. Then, seeing the crowd of several hundred that had gathered around the house, wavered and said she was mistaken. Later, when the Negro and officers had left, she stated that she positively identified the man, but feared to say so when he was there, fearing the crowd would hang him in their yard. When the news scattered that Reed had been identified, there was intense excitement throughout the city. A hasty consultation between the governor, adjutant general, sheriff and superintendent of police was held, and the companies of the national guard here were placed under orders to be ready at a moment's notice to quell a mob.

### A Gathering Dispersed.

One hundred stands of arms were taken from the armory to the county jail and 75 deputy sheriffs were at once sworn in. In addition to this 50 policemen are on guard on every street in the vicinity of the jail and every one is stopped from approaching. This method avoiding trouble continued throughout the night.

Thousands of people began gathering on the down town streets early Wednesday evening and black groups of men appeared on every corner near the jail which is across the street from the city police station.

Stern orders to disperse, however, separated them. The Negro was greatly frightened and kept imploring the officers in the jail to save him. The jail is a new structure of stone, costing \$75,000 and will resist an attack.

### Probably the Wrong Man.

Morristown, Ind., Feb. 28.—"Doc" Reed, under arrest at Indianapolis for assault on Dorothy Darler, of Irvington, is innocent. The Negro, as photographed in Indianapolis afternoon papers, was here in Candy's saloon at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon, while the assault was committed 20 miles west at 3 o'clock. The Negro stayed here all afternoon and night at the Tyner hotel. Morton Arnett and John Bennett declare positively that the Negro was in town before 2 o'clock and until the next day, as they were in the saloon at the same time. Arnett gave him a quarter for lodgings. The Negro's face was smooth; he wore a dark stiff hat, told the same story as given in the papers.

## THE TROTTER BORALMA.

His Owner Says He Will Enter Him in a Sweepstake for Any Amount Up to \$10,000.

Boston, Feb. 28.—Boralma, 2:28, the great trotter, is to be sent against the fastest horses in the country according to an announcement made by his owner Wednesday. Thomas W. Lawson. He says he is prepared to enter in a sweepstake for any amount up to \$10,000 a corner, for a free-for-all trotting race. He wants the race to be three heats in five to harness and to take place over any grand circuit track, and Lawson hopes that the owner of the Abbot, 2:03 1/4; Croesus, 2:04; Charlie Herr, 2:07; and other fast trotters will signify their willingness to enter the proposed race. Last season Mr. Lawson raced Boralma for charity, giving his earnings, variously to hospitals at Boston and Lexington, Ky.

## Won in the 18th Round.

Savannah, Ga., Feb. 28.—Tony Moran, of New York, won one of the smartest and bloodiest lightweight fights ever seen here from "Shorty" Jenkins, in the 18th round Wednesday night. Moran landed a right swing on the jaw that sent Jenkins down and out.

## Died of Hemorrhage.

El Paso, Tex., Feb. 28.—John F. Madden, a prominent politician and commissioner of highways of Manhattan borough, New York, is dead here of hemorrhage. He had been a sufferer from consumption for months.

## Epidemic of Influenza.

Stockholm, Feb. 28.—The influenza epidemic is becoming more severe. Prince Bernadette, second son of King Oscar, is among the sufferers.

## MILITIA ON GUARD.

It Is Feared That an Attempt Will Be Made to Lynch H. F. Booth, at Griffin, Ga.

Griffin, Ga., Feb. 28.—On orders from Gov. Candler, one company of militia was Wednesday night put on guard at the county jail here and another ordered to hold itself in readiness to put down any disorder which may arise through the attempt of a mob to lynch H. F. Booth, superintendent of the Griffin knitting mills. Booth had some trouble last Monday with Mrs. Levine Moore, one of the operatives, and was Tuesday night warned to leave the city, but Wednesday morning he appeared at the mill for duty. He had previously been arrested and placed under bond for assaulting Mrs. Moore. The affair created great excitement among the operatives against Griffin. Booth asked Mrs. Moore, it is said, to do certain work, which she declined to do without a ticket such as she claimed were given all operatives. This led to a dispute and while Booth was attempting to eject her from the building she was painfully injured and is now confined to her bed.

## MONUMENT TO THE QUEEN.

Public Subscriptions Have Been Opened in London for the Erection of One in the City.

London, Feb. 28.—Public subscriptions will be asked for Thursday for the erection of a memorial to Queen Victoria.

The committee of cabinet ministers and former cabinet ministers appointed by King Edward to consider the question of a memorial has decided that it shall be erected in London and be permanent and of a monumental character. The king approves of this. The committee is now taking the advice of notable persons as to precisely what would be appropriate.

## PLANS MISCARRIED.

M. D. Bearden Attempted to Force \$1,000 From a Banker at Bonner Springs, Kan.

Bonner Springs, Kan., Feb. 28.—M. D. Bearden, a respected citizen, is under arrest here for connection with an attempt to force \$1,000 from Frank Warner, cashier and principal owner of the bank at this place, under pain of death to himself and wife, or the kidnapping of his child. Bearden was arrested while making off with a bag of slugs supposed to contain money and which was left at a point designated in a threatening letter received by the banker.

## Transport Indiana Arrives.

San Francisco, Feb. 28.—The transport Indiana arrived Wednesday evening from Manila via Honolulu. The Indiana brought 450 sick and seven insane soldiers from various regiments now serving in the Philippines. There are 15 bodies on board, including those of two who died during the run from Manila to Honolulu.

## Double Suicide.

La Junta, Col., Feb. 28.—The bodies of Louis Burch and Addie Taylor, both 18 years of age, were found in an abandoned house a mile south of town. They were locked in each other's arms and each had been shot through the head. Parental opposition to their marriage caused the double suicide.

## THE MARKETS.

### Flour and Grain.

Cincinnati, Feb. 27.—Flour.—Spring patent, \$3.20@3.25; fancy, \$3.40@3.45; family, \$3.00@3.45; winter family, \$2.95@3.00; fancy, \$3.25@3.30; patent, \$3.75@3.80; extra, \$3.10@3.15; low grade, \$1.50@2.00; northwestern rye, \$2.00@2.10. Wheat.—No. 2 red nominal at 75c on track. Corn.—Sales: No. 2 mixed, track, 42c; No. 2 yellow, track, 42 1/2c. Oats.—Sales: Sample white, track, 30c; No. 2 white, clipped, 31c; No. 2 mixed track, 27 1/2c.

### Cattle, Feb. 27.—Wheat.—February, 74 1/2c; March, 74 1/2c; May, 74 1/2c; 76 1/2c. Corn.—May, 40 1/2c split. Oats.—May, 25 1/2c.

### Live Stock.

Cincinnati, Feb. 27.—Hogs.—Select butchers, \$5.00@5.05; fair to good packers, \$5.10@5.00; fair to good light, \$5.40@5.00; common and rough, \$4.25@5.35. Cattle.—Fair to good shippers, \$4.25@4.85; good to choice butchers, \$4.35@4.75; fair to medium butchers, \$4.25@4.45; common, \$2.25@3.00. Sheep.—Extras, \$4.10@4.25; good to choice, \$3.35@4.00; common to fair, \$2.50@3.25. Lambs.—Good to choice, \$5.00@5.50; common to fair, \$3.75@4.75. Veal Calves.—Fair to good light, \$6.00@6.75; common and large, \$5.50@6.00.

### Indianapolis, Feb. 27.—Cattle.—Good to prime steers, \$4.10@5.60; fair, \$4.50@6.50; feeding, \$3.75@4.40; good to choice cows, \$2.75@4.00; medium, \$3.85@4.35; common old, \$1.10@2.35. Hogs.—Choice medium to heavy, \$5.35@5.60; mixed and heavy packing, \$5.50@5.55; good to choice light weights, \$5.35@5.57 1/2; common, \$5.30@5.35; roughs, \$4.75@5.35. Sheep.—Choice lambs, \$4.75@5.25; common, \$3.50@4.50; choice sheep, \$3.50@4.00; common, \$2.50@3.25; stockers, feeding, \$2.25@3.00; bucks, \$2.50@3.25.

East Buffalo, Feb. 27.—Cattle.—Medium to good export steers, \$5.25@5.40; poor to good fat cows, \$2.75@3.50; veals, \$4.00@7.00. Hogs.—Yorkers, \$5.70@5.75; mixed, \$5.65@5.70; heavy and mediums, \$5.65@5.70; roughs, \$5.00@5.25; stags, \$4.45@5.00. Sheep and Lambs.—Best lambs, \$5.75@5.80; few fancy, \$5.85@5.90; culls to good, \$4.25@5.70; sheep, top mixed, \$4.40@4.65; culls to good, \$3.45@3.50; wethers, \$4.75@4.90; yearlings, \$4.90@5.50.

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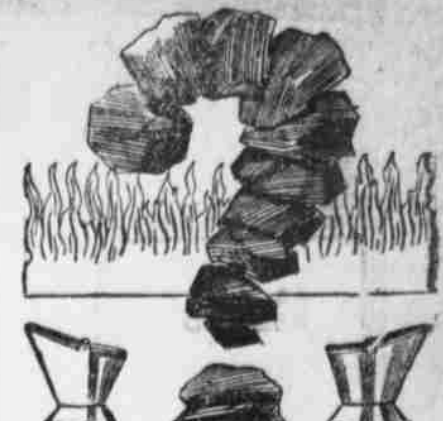
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